



Highland Park
Neighborhood Association

Tuesday, September 4th 7:00 pm - 9:00 pm Crossroads Coffee House
HPNA Board Meeting

Attendees: Mary Staropoli, Marcia Zach, Michael Tomb, Lori Bryce, Paul Urai, Mike Mahoney, Mike Thompson, Lauren Schieck **Absent:** Jill Carlier, Meghan Delahanty

Buzz:

The next issue of the Buzz is ready for printing. Cost will be \$1,180, same as last time. These funds have already been budgeted and we do not need to approve again.

- Earliest event in this issue is the Linden St. meeting
- Will be printed by Friday, need help bundling over the weekend
- Distribute to Linden St. first (meeting)

TON

Meeting Thursday will go over most TON topics.

- Board approves purchase of hot dogs if we cannot find a donor.

October General Meeting

Mike Thompson has arranged for Highland Hospital to be guest presenter; the meeting will be at the Parks building.

2012 Projects

The kiosk will not be completed before TON; target date for completion is before winter.

- We may not use all \$750 earmarked for the kiosk; move to use leftovers for BoulevART refresh (next year?)

Mary and Lauren met this weekend and discussed the block leader initiative.

- Focus right now is on individuals already interested in participating.
- Aim to publish list of names/contact information in the next Buzz
- Michael will add block leader info to the website
- Lauren will have block leader info at Membership table at TON

Michael is posting board meeting minutes to the website and will continue to assemble photo albums.

Board Business

We have two open positions, Communications and Business Coordinator.

- Move to fill these positions after elections at Annual Meeting.

What is the HPNA board's involvement in the S. Clinton business corridor?

- Improvements are coming to S. Clinton as a result of the Main St. grants



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- Future of ESCAPE is unsure at this point
- Should a HPNA board member join the S. Clinton Merchants Association?

Twenty banners are being installed on Clinton Street from Byron to Linden.

- Two HPNA banners will be moved.
- The banner at Gregory and S. Clinton will be shared.
- Mike Thompson will send the map indicating banner locations.

Tax Liens

For the first time, the City is seeking input on handling properties with tax liens. Marcia has compiled a list of the tax lien properties in our neighborhood.

- Options include demolishing, acquisition by the City, or sale via open competitive bid.
- There are 38 properties in the HPN.
- Marcia and Lauren will identify properties that may be candidates for demolishing, etc.

Linden St. Traffic Plan

The City spoke with the VFW about replacing the Honor Park garden with a lawn; the VFW did not realize that the HPNA maintains the garden.

- Informational meeting is to be held; Marcia and Michael are going.
- Marcia will try to meet with Jason prior to the public meeting.
- Board agrees to support maintenance of garden at Honor Park.

Security

Paul is working on getting the RPD fingerprinting trailer to attend TON.

- Suggestion: next year, hold Music in the Park the same night as National Night Out?

Neighborhood Groups

There is currently no leadership at NBN6; probably will not continue. Mary is joining the board of SEAC. South Quadrant meetings with Adam McFadden will resume in the fall, HPNA will send an attendee if we can.

Volunteers

Marcia will solicit volunteers for TON; if you call someone on your own please let Marcia know so she doesn't call them again.